GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Public Services – Water Resources Department - Allegations of irregularities in Tenders for collection of toll tax for the period from 01.04.2006 to 31.03.2008 in respect of Godavari Barriage, Dowlaiswaram, Godavari Head Works Division - Disciplinary Proceedings initiated against Sri M.Venkata Rao, the then Superintend, O/o Executive Engineer, GHW Division, Dowlaiswaram and now Retd., – Inquiry Conducted - Charges Proved - Imposition penalty of withholding 6% cut in pension permanently under rule 9 of APRP Rules 1980 – Orders - Issued.

WATER RESOURCES (VIGILANCE-I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.5. Dated.08/01/2024

Read the following :

1) From the DG,V&E, Vigilance Report No.78 (1259/V&E/E1/06), Dt.14.06.2007.
2) G.O.Rt.Nos.1645,I&CAD(Ser.VI) V&E-2) Dept., dt.24.12.2008.
3) From Sri M.Venkata Rao, the then Superindent, O/o EE, GHW Division, Dowlaiswaram and now Retd., Written Statement of defence, dt.11.02.2009.
4) G.O.Rt.No.91, I&CAD(Ser.VI) V&E-2) Dept., dt.25.01.2012.
5) From Lingaraj Panigrahi,IAS, Commissioner of Inquires, GA(COI) Dept., D.O.Lr.No.29/COI.LP/2012-1,dt.16.05.2012.
6) Communication of Inquiry Report , Govt.Memo No.28385/Ser.VII (V&E.2)/2006,dt.30.08.2012.
7) Explanation of Sri M.Venkata Rao, dt.15.10.2012.
8) Show cause Notice,Govt.Memo No.28385/Vig.I/2006, Dt.03.08.2023.
9) Explanation of Sri M.Venkata Rao, dt.10.08.2023.

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ORDER:

Based on the recommendations of the DG, V&E in the Vigilance Report 1st cited, Disciplinary proceedings were initiated against Sri M.Venkata Rao, the then Superintend, O/o Executive Engineer, GHW Division, Dowlaiswaram and now Retd, vide G.O.2nd read above, in respect of "Allegations of irregularities in tenders for collection of toll tax for the period from 01.04.2006 to 31.03.2008 in respect of Godavari Barriage, Dowlaiswaram, Godavari Head Works Division".

2. In the representation 3rd read above, the Charged Officer has submitted his Written Statement of defence denying the charges framed against him.

3. Govt., after examination of the Written Statement of defence of the Charged officers, have decided to conduct Departmental Enquiry into the charges framed against Sri M.Venkata Rao, the then Superintend, O/o Executive Engineer, GHW Division, Dowlaiswaram and now Retd,, and others. Accordingly, appointed Sri Lingaraj Panigrahi, IAS, Commissioner of Inquires, GA(COI) Dept., as Inquiring Authority to inquire into the charges framed against Sri M.Venkata Rao, the then Superintend, O/o Executive Engineer, GHW Division, Dowlaiswaram and now Retd,, and others vide G.O. 4th read above..

4. In the letter 5th read above, the Inquiry Officer has submitted the Enquiry Report, stating that the charges framed against Sri M.Venkata Rao, the then Superintend, O/o Executive Engineer, GHW Division, Dowlaiswaram and now Retd,, are held proved.

5. In the Memo 6th read above, the enquiry report has been communicated to the Charged Officer to submit his explanations, if any, on the findings of Inquiry Report.

6. In the letter 7th read above, the Charged Officer has submitted his explanations denying the findings of the Inquiry Report with a request to drop further action against him.

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7. Govt., after examination of the matter, have decided to impose a penalty of withholding of 6% pension permanently against Sri M.Venkata Rao, the then Superintendent, O/o Executive Engineer, GHW Division, Dowlaiswaram and now Retd,.

8. In the Memo 8th read above, a show cause notice under Rule 9(2) of APRP Rules 1980 has been issued to the charged officer with a direction to show cause, as to why a penalty of withholding of 6% pension permanently shall not be imposed on him, within (10) days from the date of receipt of this Memo., failing which it will be construed that he has no explanation to offer and necessary further action will be taken against him as per the material available on record with the Government.

9. In the letter 9th read above, Sri M.Venkata Rao, the then Superintend, O/o Executive Engineer, GHW Division, Dowlaiswaram and now Retd, has submitted his explanation with a request to drop further action in the matter.

10. Government after careful examination of the matter, here by decided and impose the penalty of withholding 6% pension permanently against Sri M.Venkata Rao, the then Superintend, O/o Executive Engineer, GHW Division, Dowlaiswaram and now Retd,.in the matter.

11. The Engineer-in-Chief (Administration Wing.), Water Resources Department, Vijayawada shall take further necessary action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

SHASHI BHUSHAN KUMAR I A S,
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri M.Venkata Rao, the then Superintend, O/o Executive Engineer, GHW Division, Dowlaiswaram and now Retd,.through the Engineer-in- Chief (AW), Water Resources Department, Vijayawada.
The Engineer-in-Chief (AW), Water Resources Department, Vijayawada.
Copy to:
The Accountant General, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada.
The Secretary, Andhra Pradesh Vigilance Commission, Velagapudi.
The General Administration (Vigilance & Enforcement) Department, NTR Bus Station, Vijayawada.
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FORWARDED::BY ORDER

SECTION OFFICER